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REPORT

TOPIC Military Information from Parchim

EVALUATION

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DATE OF CONTENT

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23 November 1953

REFERENCES

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ENCLOSURES (NO. &amp; TYPE)

REMARKS

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1. On 30 October 1953, the Neue Kaserne in Parchim was occupied about 65 percent by about 1,500 troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets with artillery and tank insignia. Advance details had arrived at the installation while the bulk of the units followed during the nights

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The following columns were seen arriving at the installation:

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[redacted] During the night [redacted] motor vehicles, including some occupied by troops, were detrained at the Marchin railroad station and subsequently left for Alte Kaserne and Neue Kaserne. Beginning [redacted] about 50 troops armed with carbines and carrying entrenching tools daily left the installation prior to 8:30 a.m., proceeding toward the training area northwest of the air force settlement and returning at about 12:30 p.m. [redacted] troops seen in the installation engaged exclusively in fatigue duty and maintaining of motor vehicles at the vehicle sheds.

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3. [redacted] the Alte Kaserne was occupied to capacity by about 1,000 troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets with tank insignia and, a few, artillery insignia. The troops returned simultaneously with the troops stationed in Neue Kaserne. [redacted] the Alte Kaserne mainly quartered a tank unit. [redacted] troops observed engaged exclusively in fatigue duty. [redacted]

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4. [redacted] the Neue Heimat settlement was occupied below capacity by about 300 troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets with motor transport insignia. [redacted] the former Altersheim (home for aged people) and 4 or 5 of the buildings behind the yard were occupied. [redacted] about 50 troops drilled in the barracks yard and, at about 6 p.m., about 50 troops left the installation to take showers in the Neue Kaserne. [redacted] smaller groups of soldiers daily left the installation at about 6 p.m.. [redacted]

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[redacted] Comment. After their return from the Wittstock training area, the 60th Mecz Regt and the 33d Tank Regt (US) of the 18th Mecz Div can be carried in the Neue Kaserne and Alte Kaserne respectively, as had already been assured. [redacted] The Neue Heimat settlement may be occupied by an air force unit, [redacted]

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